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Sir:

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The Examiner's attention is also directed to the following U.S. Patent Application:

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REMARKS

JP-A 64-80920, 11-14900, 2000-180706, 2003-107340, and 11-191867 are cited at pages 3, 12, 19, and 22 of the specification. The article is cited at page 1.

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